A1 – COLD OPEN

ANNC: Rory McIlroy at the top of his game versus Scottie Scheffler at the top of his game. Who do you think wins?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: Obviously, when those guys are at their best it's hard to beat, but it's also very encouraging to try to keep up.

SEPP STRAKA: Rory's just a generational talent with a driver and pretty much everything else, but the driver is just incredible. Scottie's precision with the irons is just incredible. He can control his distances so well with different trajectories. And those guys are pretty special.

A2 – THE CUT TITLES

WELCOME TO PGA TOUR THE CUT.

<u>A3 – RORY AND SCOTTIE RIVALRY</u>

ANNC: You're talking about probably the two most talented players in golf.

ANNC: World No. 1 Scottie Scheffler, last year's Player of the Year. World No. 2 Rory McIlroy.

RORY McILROY: It's one thing to get to the No. 1 spot in the world, and then it's another to stay there. And I think to stay there almost requires more commitment. I think that's what Scottie does so well. He's so committed to his craft, and he's always working and he's always trying to get better, and we're all trying to get better to keep up with him.

SCHEFFLER: It's just fun to watch the talent. I mean, Rory's got, I mean, the way he drives the ball, he's so good. Anytime you can see really quality shots, it definitely is helpful to see out there.

NATS: Oh, my!

ANNC: Pebble Beach has a popular champion, Rory McIlroy!

McILROY: Scottie is and has been the best player in our game for, you know, the last couple years, and I've been close but just not quite there. But that's motivating, trying to become the best player in the world again.

ANNC: Rory McIlroy, the 2025 PLAYERS Championship winner. His second PLAYERS Championship. 28th of his career!

ANNC: Rory McIlroy completing the career Grand Slam in Augusta.

SCHEFFLER: I think any time somebody has beaten any of us out here, I think we're all inspired. You know, Rory has been playing some tremendous golf this year. The Career Grand Slam was really special to be able to watch. I was glad to be able to be there for it. Yeah, I feel like my game is trending in a good direction. I'm excited to start the rest of the season.

ANNC: Full circle for Scheffler! Scottie wins for the first time this year and it comes in the event he attended as a kid.

ANNC: The way Scottie's playing, it is a masterclass in how to play PGA TOUR golf. He is an elite player. He's Tiger-esque, Jack Nicklaus-esque, if you will. He is the best in the game at the moment. No. 1 in the world. Even Rory McIlroy has said this year that he learned so much from watching Scottie Scheffler last year and see how Rory's playing. So, he's going to be really tough to beat.

ANNC: The man is a machine! Scottie Scheffler, the repeat champion at Jack's event.

McILROY: Every time I play with him and I watch how he plays and how disciplined he is, it's a really cool thing to watch. And honestly, just trying to take a little bit of a leaf out of his book.

SCHEFFLER: I think we all can learn a lot from each other. I've been a guy that always has my eyes open when I'm watching guys. I've learned from Rory's game over the years Rory may have seen some stuff he liked in my game, I certainly like some stuff in his as well.

ANNC: Scottie, with the win at the PGA joins Jack Nicklaus, and Tiger as the only players in the modern era, so since World War II, with 15 wins and three major championships.

ANNC: He's 28 years old, Rory's 36. He's got 16 wins, 3 major championships, 2 Players Championships, a gold medal. It's fascinating to let the mind wander.

McILROY: His season last year is up there with one of the all-time great seasons in the history of the game. He's an amazing player, he's a great person as well, he's got a great family. It's good to see him doing -- like it's good for the game and it's nice to see nice people succeed. I have nothing but respect and admiration for Scottie.

REPORTER: Having said that, you hope to beat him, though, right?

McILROY: Of course.

SCHEFFLER: Growing up watching a guy like Rory play golf for a long time, any time I can be spoken in the same breath it's special for me So, hopefully, we'll continue to play good and be able to compete for a long time out here.

<u>A4 – U.S. OPEN FINISH</u>

RORY MCILROY WRAPPED UP THE 125TH U.S. OPEN TIED FOR 19TH, WHILE SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER SECURED A SOLID SEVENTH-PLACE FINISH.

AFTER A TOUGH START, BOGEYING FIVE OF HIS FIRST SIX HOLES, J.J. SPAUN STAGED AN IMPRESSIVE COMEBACK FOLLOWING A RAIN DELAY, CLINCHING HIS FIRST MAJOR VICTORY AT THE HISTORIC OAKMONT COUNTRY CLUB.

A5 – FEC STANDINGS

WITH HIS WIN, SPAUN EARNS 750 FEDEXCUP POINTS AND MOVES INTO 6TH PLACE IN THE FEDEXCUP STANDINGS, WELL POSITIONED FOR A RUN AT THE SEASON-LONG TITLE.

A6 – MATT EVERY U.S. OPEN RECAP

HERE'S TWO-TIME PGA TOUR WINNER MATT EVERY TO RECAP SPAUN'S HISTORIC WIN AT OAKMONT COUNTRY CLUB.

MATT EVERY: I do think that front nine J.J. played, in a weird way, put him in a spot to free himself up. Obviously, we know nobody's won the U.S. Open posting a 40 on Sunday on their front nine, J.J. the first one to accomplish that.

But that break he got on No. 2, listen, I know J.J. Spaun pretty well and I've known him pretty much his whole professional career on the PGA TOUR. I would put him in the classification of kind of, "glass half-empty" attitude. And just through the years, my experience with him, he's gotten better with that. And somehow, he overcame that hurdle here on Sunday. That was a brutal test last week at Oakmont. Listen, that drive J.J. hit on No. 17, I mean, he will

That was a brutal test last week at Oakmont. Listen, that drive J.J. hit on No. 17, I mean, he will never, ever forget that shot. That had to look so good tracking. And then on No. 18, the stars just kind of aligning. He needs to two-putt that thing and he gets a great look from Viktor and he ends up holing it.

I think it's the second-best 72nd holed putt we've seen in the U.S. Open. I'm going to go ahead and put Payne Stewart's at Pinehurst ahead of him only because Payne had to make that to win, J.J. just needed a two-putt. But, still, just something we'll never forget.

B1 – JIM FURYK MR. 58

ANNC: One last full swing shot away for Jim Furyk and the record books. He needs par for 58, but from this spot, he could take dead aim at birdie, too.

ANNC: And with that shot, he completes the perfect ball-striking round. He hit all 18 greens today in regulation.

ANNC: Hall-of-Fame career with a new chapter on the way. "Mr. 58" is Jim Furyk!

2003 U.S. OPEN CHAMPION JIM FURYK, KNOWS FIRSTHAND THE CHALLENGE OF GRINDING FOR EVEN PAR AT A MAJOR VERSUS LIGHTING UP THE SCOREBOARD AT A PGA TOUR EVENT.

FURYK SHOWCASED HIS BRILLIANCE WITH A HISTORIC FINAL-ROUND 58 AT THE 2016 TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP IN CROMWELL, CONNECTICUT ... SECURING HIS WELL-EARNED NICKNAME, "MR. 58."

THAT DAY, HE DELIVERED A NEAR-PERFECT PERFORMANCE, HITTING EVERY GREEN IN REGULATION AND FINDING ALL 14 FAIRWAYS.

HERE'S MR. 58 HIMSELF TO TALK ABOUT THE MENTAL TEST THESE PLAYERS ARE GOING TO FACE TRANSITIONING FROM OAKMONT COUNTRY CLUB TO TPC RIVER HIGHLANDS.

JIM FURYK: It's a definite change of pace. I think it's easier to go from grueling test to, "Let's let it fly and make some birdies." It's a lot harder when you're playing in 15- 20-under par wins, and then all of a sudden you have to change the mentality that par's a good score. That over-par could win this golf tournament. I think that's a tougher transition.

But, obviously, some success for me at Hartford. I probably should have played a lot more events there in my career. I didn't play that event each and every year. Probably a mistake. The golf course suited me very, very well.

You know, that 58's going to stand for as long as it does, but I truly believe there's a good chance and good opportunity when that 58 goes down and someone shoots lower, there's a good chance that's going to be at TPC River Highlands. So, you see a lot of low scores there. You see a lot of low 60s. Guys threatening to break the barrier.

Obviously, a great memory for me and kind of a little feather in my cap to right now be the only guy holding a 58 on the PGA TOUR.

B2 - TV TIMES

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER LOOKS TO DEFEND HIS TITLE AND SECURE HIS FOURTH PGA TOUR VICTORY OF THE SEASON AS HE TAKES ON THE FINAL SIGNATURE EVENT AT TPC RIVER HIGHLANDS.

B3 – KEEGAN BRADLEY FEATURE

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Going to Travelers is always an exciting time for me. I always look forward to it. It was always one that I had circled on the schedule. I grew up going to that tournament. I remember getting my TOUR card and my first thought wasn't, "Maybe I'll be able to play the Masters." I was like, "I can't wait to go play Hartford."

ANNC There were cheers and chants that you don't always hear at golf events. They were all in this together. Tens of thousands ringing the 18th. And this is the stage that he always wanted to star in.

BRADLEY: To go there and be able to walk up No. 18, three-shot lead and enjoy a win with my whole family there, you know, I don't take it for granted.

ANNC: New England's very own takes the title at the Travelers.

BRADLEY: It was probably the happiest moments of my career. You know, I've had bigger win, but that was my happiest. That was my most joyful win. To enjoy with the people of New England and also my family all being there was pretty spectacular. I always loved being a few

shots back. Make a charge at the lead. But now I feel a lot more comfortable with the lead on Sunday, and I've learned to enjoy it and how to handle that.

BRADLEY: It's constant hard work for me. I got to still prove, I got to go to the course, I got to practice, and when you do all the right things, normally good things happen in tournaments.

B4 – PLAYERS TO WATCH

HERE ARE THE PLAYERS THE CUT WILL BE WATCHING AT THE FINAL SIGNATURE EVENT OF THE PGA TOUR SEASON ...

LUDVIG ÅBERG, WINNER OF THE GENESIS INVITATIONAL, CONTINUES TO IMPRESS, RANKING 10TH ON TOUR IN STROKES GAINED OFF THE TEE. THE SWEDISH STANDOUT HAS ALREADY SECURED A TOP 25 FINISH AT TPC RIVER HIGHLANDS, WHERE HE WILL BE EYEING ANOTHER VICTORY THIS SEASON.

ANNC: Bring it right back and in, Ludvig!

VIKTOR HOVLAND IS ALSO IN PURSUIT OF HIS SECOND WIN OF THE YEAR. HIS BEST SHOWING IN CROMWELL WAS A T11 FINISH, AND HE'S EAGER TO ELEVATE HIS GAME AND CLAIM ANOTHER TITLE.

ANNC: In the heart of it for eagle at No. 15 ... you betcha! Coming back from the depths of despair.

PAST TRAVELERS CHAMPION XANDER SCHAUFFELE IS STILL CHASING HIS FIRST WIN OF THE SEASON. WITH SIX TOP 25s, ONE TOP 10 AND NO MISSED CUTS, IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE THE MAJOR CHAMPION FINDS HIMSELF BACK IN THE WINNER'S CIRCLE.

C1 – REJOIN

ANNC: How about TPC River Highlands? Another gem on the PGA TOUR.

C2 – AON NEXT 10 SWING 5 TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP

THE AON SWING FIVE REWARDS THE TOP FIVE FEDEXCUP POINT EARNERS WHO ARE NOT ALREADY EXEMPT DUE TO THEIR STRONG PERFORMANCES AT THE ONEFLIGHT MYRTLE BEACH CLASSIC, CHARLES SCHWAB CHALLENGE AND RBC CANADIAN OPEN.

FOLLOWING HIS RUNNER UP AT THE CHARLES SCHWAB CHALLENGE, MATTI SCHMID HAS EARNED HIS WAY INTO THE TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP AND WILL MAKE HIS FIRST APPEARANCE AT TPC RIVER HIGHLANDS.

ANNC: He's gotta dunk this one ... oh my goodness, he did! He did!

HE'LL LOOK TO BUILD ON THE 4 TOP 10s AND 6 TOP 25s HE'S HAD THIS SEASON.

MAVERICK MCNEALY ALSO PLAYED HIS WAY INTO THE FIELD VIA THE AON NEXT 10, WHICH AWARDS STARTS TO THE TOP 10 PLAYERS NOT ALREADY EXEMPT FROM THIS SEASON'S FEDEXCUP STANDINGS. MCNEALY NOTCHED AN IMPRESSIVE T5 AT MUIRFIELD VILLAGE.

ANNC: Trying to bring it back ... it's coming back! How about an eagle?! Come on, Mav!

C3 – BEN GRIFFIN MINI

ALSO BENEFITTING FROM THE NEXT 10 IS BEN GRIFFIN. MARKING HIS SIXTH SIGNATURE EVENT APPEARANCE OF THE SEASON. WITH TWO WINS ALREADY UNDER HIS BELT, THE THIRD-YEAR PGA TOUR PRO HAS A CHANCE TO JOIN SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER AND RORY MCILROY AS A THREE-TIME WINNER IN 2025.

ANNC: And it's worth the wait for Ben Griffin and Andrew Novak. They team up for their first win on the PGA TOUR.

BEN GRIFFIN: Someone said I'm the hottest golfer on the PGA TOUR. I mean, I feel like I'm playing right now with a ton of confidence.

ANNC: His dream comes true! He made that like it was nothing at all.

BEN GRIFFIN: It's crazy how fast things can change in this game. Even going back to when I didn't have any status on any sort of tours. Now, I'm at the point where I feel like I'm starting to show that I am an elite golfer. I can compete against the best. I don't know if I necessarily would have felt that maybe a year ago, but I just feel like I'm in a really good place with my golf game.

ANNC: Ben, certainly a different player. Different headspace than he was two years ago, with all his recent success.

BEN GRIFFIN: There's not a stage that's too big for me anymore. Now that I've experienced it and I've competed against the best players in the world and had success, there's nothing from a mental standpoint that's going to block me from trying to win. It's a tournament, there's a trophy every single week.

C4 – TOMMY FLEETWOOD SWING THEORY

A PLAYER LOOKING FOR HIS FIRST CAREER PGA TOUR WIN IS TOMMY FLEETWOOD. HE RANKS 11TH ON TOUR FOR STROKES GAINED: APPROACH TO GREEN.

HERE'S MARK IMMELMAN TO BREAK DOWN FLEETWOOD'S IRON SWING.

MARK IMMELMAN: A multiple winner on the DP World Tour, a Ryder Cup hero and one of the game's preeminent ball strikers, Tommy Fleetwood. Even though Tommy Lad is yet to win on the PGA TOUR, he's one of the game's very best. The silver medal at the Paris Olympics, proof thereof.

Here is Tommy Fleetwood looking down his line on the 13th at THE PLAYERS Championship. Back-left hole location. as far as Tommy is concerned, a natural drawer of the golf ball, this is a heavenly look, even though there's water down the left-hand side.

Now, we've talked about the height changes in the swing. I want to show you something that Tommy does, as well as anybody, perhaps in the game. And I feel like it's part of the reason why he is so accurate. That line I've drawn is a line that's on the shaft of the golf club. So now watch this how Tommy will always have a portion of the shaft, or the clubhead or his trailing elbow interacting with that line, and that's how he gets his golf swing lined up so well. Because when he tends to go bad, he tends to swing inside out and to the right side a little too much.

So now watch this. At address, beautiful. He swings away. Watch how the club shaft right along that line. And his nailed things. So right now, that clubface is square. The hands are right on play and he is right in position. Arms in front of the body, hips winding up behind him. That club shaft and clubface are in fantastic position.

He continues to go to the top of the swing. Now, arms will elevate. He turns around. There's that lowering of the body. Hands are up over the shoulders. Very neutral club ace. Gorgeous position. Now watch how the club shaft, in a way doesn't get much longer, is interacting looking somewhat parallel to the original shaft line. Now is the magic move.

I want you to pay attention to this area right there. Watch how that right elbow in transition as the body changes direction will fall down the body right onto that original plane line, right there. That is magic. As he does that, because of where he had the shaft at the top of the swing. You see a parallel look in the shaft right now? Now, things are golden. He's almost made contact right now. All he has to do, is continue to rotate the body. His knees are under him. The body's poised. He is in good shape. So now watch as the torso unwinds. Look at that right forearm on that plane line. Look at that clubface right over his hands. That is just absolutely gorgeous.

Continue down from there, even though the eyes are tilted behind the golf ball, down to contact. Watch how the club shaft is almost exactly where he began. And look at this relationship here. Elbow, shaft, clubface, very close to where he began at address. It makes me think of the great Sam Snead who basically said to hit the ball well, you have to return the clubface through the place it began. You think Tommy Fleetwood's doing that? That's almost right on the button.

From there now, old Tommy would swing off to the right-hand side a little bit too much, but he's worked on mitigating that. So, watch what happens. This original line, see right down that and

stopping him midway through. You see again there's an interaction between club shaft and where it is on the through swing even.

Old Tommy may have come out over the shoulder a little bit more here, but everything about him now is operating in this area with either the club shaft or his right elbow, or at least the club shaft angle relationship to where he began. This shot struck. It was right at the TV tower over there, and as he follows through, it's going to get launched and start to draw back ever so slightly.

On that green, I can tell you right over the No. 13, there's a shelf right there. You land the ball there and it will turn down all the way to the flag. This one did. A left-hole location, that is what Tommy Fleetwood loves.

D1 – FINAL HOLES FEATURE

KEEGAN BRADLEY: TPC River Highlands is a great golf course because the back nine creates a lot of action.

ANNC: There he is! Wow!

SHANE LOWRY: Any time you have four holes a finish that the tournament can be won or lost on is an exciting course.

ANNC: Once again the Tavelers providing great drama on a Sunday.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: No. 15 is a great drivable hole.

MAX HOMA: No. 15 is the best short par 4 we play all year. For one, you could make an eagle, but two, you could be right around the green and struggle to make par and you can make the easiest birdie you've ever seen. So, it's almost just a very, very, very long par 3.

ANNC: Oh, my goodness how good is this?

SCHEFFLER: No. 16 is a great, little par 3 where you can have a short club in your hand and so you're able to hit a great shot and make birdie. But then if you play too safe and go over the green, you're going to make a bogey.

HOMA: No. 17 is one of the harder holes on the course. It's very tricky off the tee. You know, you flirt with the water, you're in trouble. You hit in the left bunker, you might hit your second shot in the water. So, it's a hard hole.

HOMA: And No. 18, if you hit a good drive, it feels like the easiest hole in the world. And you hit it up on the hill and it's really tough. You know, left bunker not a terrible spot but it's tricky.

ANNC: Right at it. Right at it! Oh, he's done it again! Unbelievable. Of all the crazy things that have happened here and that just might top them all.

HOMA: There's a lot of variance to scores on each hole for the last four. I think that's why it's been such a such an exciting event to watch.

D2 – EXCITING FINISHES

NOW RELIVE SOME OF THE MOST EXCITING FINISHES FROM NEW ENGLAND'S ONE AND ONLY SIGNATURE EVENT.

ANNC: Stroud, if he can get this in the hole, we have a tie. It looks good. Oh, wow! Can you believe it?!

ANNC: Oh, my gosh. What a shot. How about that?

ANNC: For his first win, ever. Ken Duke is in the field at Augusta. That was awesome golf. Some tough stuff.

ANNC: Look at this. Oh! That's what champions are made of.

ANNC: You might see some emotion out of Harris like you haven't seen before. For the lead ... For the lead, yes, indeed!

ANNC: Oh, just got over it. He's got an 8-footer for a playoff. Right into the shadow and right into the hole! What an amazing moment at the Travelers Championship. Almost never fails to deliver.

ANNC: This line looks suspiciously close to the one he holed in regulation. Here it is ... It's over! Harris English ends it with a birdie on the eighth playoff hole.

ANNC: Got it right on the spot. Easy ... He did it! Olin Browne. He almost made it the first time around and look at this.